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House Bill 6490 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Greg Van Woerkom
Committee: Government Operations
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 6490 would amend the Public Health Code to allow the Michigan Board of Nursing, under certain circumstances, to grant a license as a registered professional nurse to an applicant who is licensed or registered in a country other than the United States and is a graduate of a nurse education program located outside of the United States.

To be eligible for licensure as described above, the license applicant would have to meet the general requirements for health professional licensure and registration under the Public Health Code.¹ The applicant would also have to meet one of the following:

- Have passed the certification program examination offered by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools² or an equivalent examination as determined by the board.
- Provide a credential evaluation service report from the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools or its equivalent as determined by the board.

MCL 333.16101 and 333.17213

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 6490 would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) or any other unit of state or local government. There may be minor administrative costs incurred by LARA under the bill, but these costs would likely be sufficiently offset by existing appropriations.

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¹ <http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-333-16174>

² <https://www.cgfn.org/>